

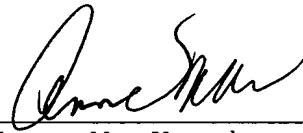
**REMARKS**

The present amendment is submitted so as to better define the invention for which patent protection is sought.

In view of the above, it is respectfully submitted that the claims are now in condition for examination, and prompt and favorable action are earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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